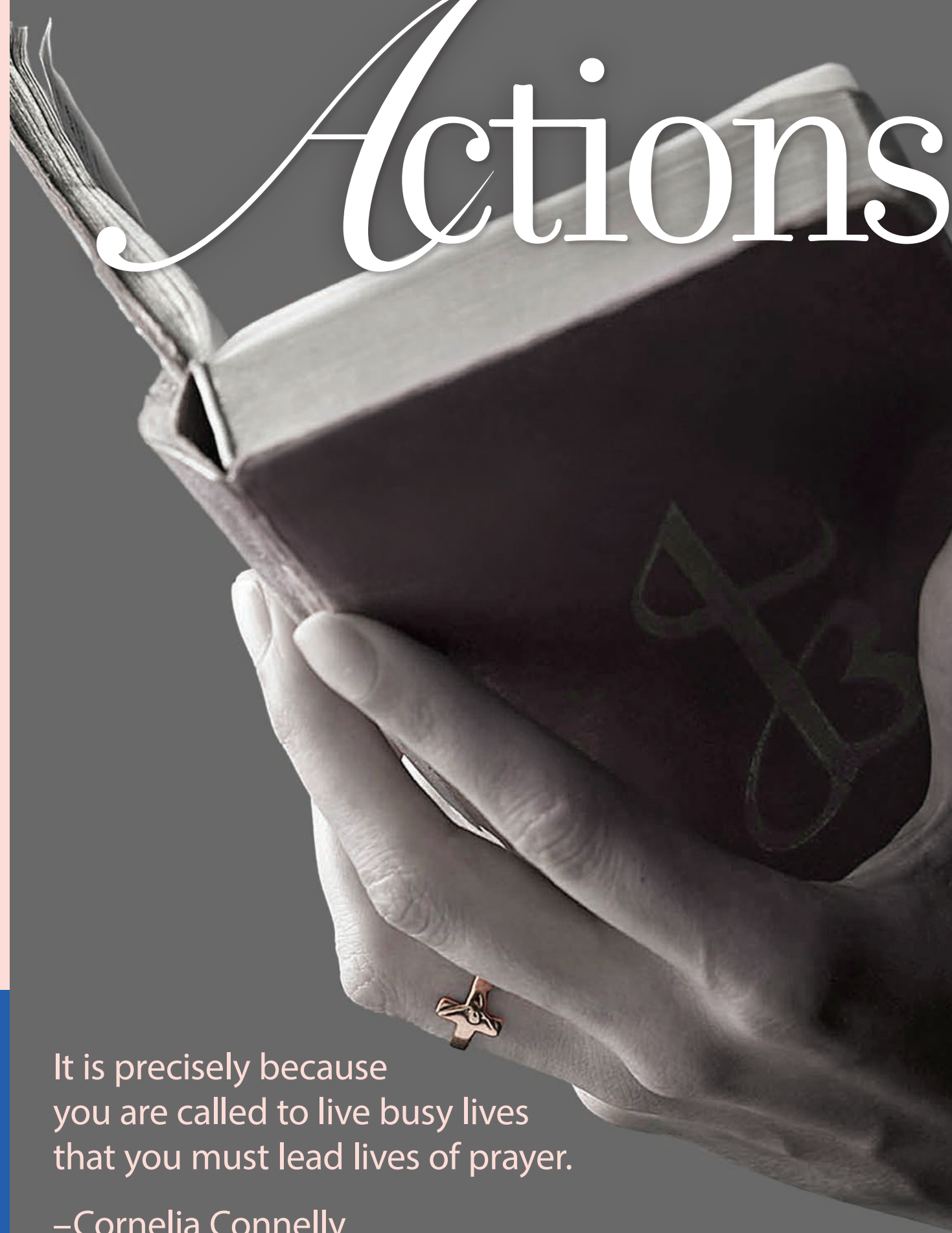


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A close-up photograph of a hand holding a dark, possibly leather-bound book. The hand is positioned with the thumb and index finger gripping the edges of the book. On the ring finger, a small, ornate gold ring with a cross design is visible. The book's cover is dark and has some faint, embossed or worn markings. The background is a solid, dark grey.

It is precisely because
you are called to live busy lives
that you must lead lives of prayer.

—Cornelia Connelly



DEAR FRIENDS,

"Do you even have time to pray?"

This question immediately gave me pause when I read it in the lead article by Catherine Quinn, SHCJ, and Cathi Duffy, Director of Holy Child Associates, USA. Just like most of your days, my days are filled with a myriad of pressing responsibilities and tasks. How is prayer

present in all my busyness? It is a powerful question for all of us to reflect on.

As I continued to read the article, I was thankful for the reminder that my actions and thoughts, when rooted in God's love, are prayers. Sister Catherine and Cathi offer lovely, practical suggestions on the many ways we can deepen our spiritual lives, whether it's when listening to the Society's monthly meditations or even sitting at a traffic light.

In June, the Holy Child community gathered in prayer to celebrate our 2019 Jubilarians. Sisters, Associates, family, friends, and alumni came together to honor these women and their commitment to religious life. On pages 11-12, you can view a few photos from this blessed event. On page nine, we recognize the lives of Jane Dawley, SHCJ, and Ann Murray, SHCJ, who have passed away in recent months.

I am pleased to share that the Eleventh Annual Holy Child Awards Dinner in Villanova, PA, was a success. The Holy Child community was thrilled to honor Binney Wietlisbach and Meghan McCormick. I extend my sincere appreciation to our friends, family, collaborators, sponsors, and organizers for their support. Beginning on page seven, we featured photos of the honorees, the awards ceremony, and our guests. As you will see, it was a joyful evening!

This past summer, several of our students from Holy Child

schools travelled across the nation or abroad to learn and serve. Students from Cornelia Connelly School in Anaheim, Calif., visited Holy Child School in Ghana – our sister school in the African Province. Beginning on page 13, Gloria Kam, Cornelia Connelly's Spanish teacher and the trip chaperone, provides a compelling account of the trip. We greatly appreciate Ms. Kam for sharing the details of this amazing and inspiring experience in Ghana.

Cornelia wrote, *Our Lord accepts our thoughts as prayers when we desire earnestly anything good and for His greater glory.* Let us look to Cornelia to see that prayer is not to be complicated. Join us in thought and action to see God in yourself, others, and the world, and know that you are leading a prayerful life, despite its busyness.

On behalf of the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus, thank you for your love and support of the Society's mission, ministries, and spirituality.

Enjoy the gifts of the fall season!

Gratefully,

Carroll Juliano, SHCJ
American Province Leader



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WITNESSING GOD'S LOVE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS

By Catherine Quinn, SHCJ, and Cathi Duffy, Director of Holy Child Associates - USA


What is the first item on your to-do list today, right now?

Reflect for a few minutes on the physical, mental, and emotional demands in your life: caring for loved ones and oneself, paying expenses, advancing careers, raising children, juggling schedules, or doing chores.

Do you even have time to pray?

Cornelia's belief that "you are called to live busy lives" has endured for almost 175 years. As a wife, mother, teacher, and the founder of the Society of the Holy Child Jesus, she understood busy. And yet her response to the question "do you even have time to pray" would have been "Yes, Lord, always yes." Cornelia needed God and was committed to a life of prayer.

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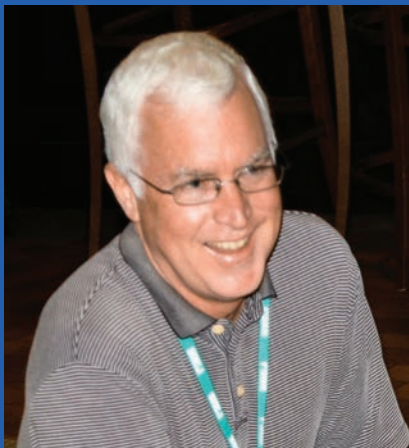
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– Cornelia Connelly

“With the ebb and flow of daily life it is easy to become overwhelmed by the challenges before us. Am I late for work? Can I afford this month’s rent? Are we doing enough? Have we done too much?

In many ways, obstacles to overcome haven’t seemed to change that greatly since Cornelia’s time. As we know, she faced many struggles. It seems like one way she coped through it all was by relying on her trust and faith. Being aware of a Divine Presence permeating her prayers and allowing that Presence to propel her activities surely must have helped when the tide was against her.”

*– Bob McHugh,
Holy Child Associate,
Charlotte, NC*



From a young age, Cornelia’s desire to pray and help others grew out of her faith in God. She was attracted to her husband, Pierce Connelly, because he was “a man of God,” a priest. Together, they faced challenging situations and sought to find God in their lives.

Cornelia found ways to pray. For her, prayer was recognizing God’s presence in her circumstances, as well as formal practices, such as Mass and retreats. Early in her marriage, she lost two young children. The loss of her child, John Henry, was especially heartbreaking. She held him for 43 hours before he died of burns that resulted from a tragic accident. Cornelia turned to Mary, the Sorrowful Mother, for guidance and support. Who better to understand such enormous grief than Mary? As Cornelia held John Henry, she understood that she also held Jesus.

For Cornelia, prayer was about her relationship with God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit in both the ordinary and extraordinary. God gave her strength when Pierce ended their marriage and eventually took their children. God rejoiced when she founded the Society. God sustained her when she felt abandoned and lacked financial support. God walked with her in the “muddy streets” of England.

Cornelia believed that dwelling with God in prayer and reflection would bear good fruit, and, indeed, it did. Cornelia found joy and peace in her decisions and actions.

Today, our schedules and responsibilities rival, if not exceed, Cornelia’s. However, we, too, need time with God because of our busyness. Prayer builds awareness of God’s love and presence – we are not alone. We are invited to know Emmanuel, God with us, in incredibly simple and intimate moments that are both obvious and hidden.

Witnessing God’s love in all situations and people was so important to Cornelia that she urged individuals to *Actions Not Words*. She wanted all people to

experience the joy of God's tender love. Those touched by Cornelia's faith have helped others to believe that God lives and acts in them.


At this point in your life, are you willing to embrace a life of prayer, because you want and need God, despite your busy life? Are you able to respond with "Yes, Lord, always yes" to welcoming and seeing God's presence in all?

Our Holy Child Sisters and Associates invite you to join them in experiencing God's love in simple, gentle ways throughout the day. Let us quiet our minds while sitting at a traffic light or drinking morning coffee or waiting for an elevator or tossing and turning during a restless night or even taking a shower. In those quiet moments,

and in all ways and on all days, welcome God with desire, gratitude, and praise.

The Sisters and Associates offer structured opportunities throughout the year that help individuals strengthen their prayer life. Several are listed on the following pages. Also, at our Holy Child community at 1341 Montgomery Avenue, Rosemont, PA, programs are available to help others grow in their love for God. We offer daily and Sunday Mass. All are invited! Additional opportunities are provided by Holy Child communities, Holy Child Sisters, and Associates for spiritual direction and prayer groups. Do contact our Associates or one of the Sisters if you are not in the Rosemont area.

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– we are not alone.**

Monthly Meditations



The Society of the Holy Child Jesus produces video reflections that coincide with the Church's seasons of Advent, Lent, and Easter, as well as Ordinary Time. Approximately once a month, 700 subscribers receive the meditations via e-mail, and many more view the video on social media. These short spiritual reflections are rooted in everyday life experiences. To sign up for the meditation, please visit our website at www.shcj.org/american.

"I received the SHCJ video message through a contact. It's really beautiful! Not sure who has the responsibility for getting that out but please thank them. I suspect that particular prayer/message will be spread far and wide..."

– Rose

"I just viewed the SHCJ monthly meditation that was written by Holy Child Associate Michelle Dugan. I always look forward to receiving this monthly gem from the SHCJ. Please pass along to Michelle how much I enjoyed her beautifully written meditation!"

– Debbie

"A Good Morning" Prayer Service

The Holy Child spirit was at work this year when the staff at Holy Child Center in Rosemont, PA, decided to establish a time to pray with the Holy Child Sisters and their co-workers. Every weekday at 9:45 a.m., Sisters and staff gather for a few minutes to pray or share or sit in quiet. Leading the prayer services are employees from various departments, including nursing, house-keeping, maintenance, and dining services. The prayers offered by the staff reflect various faiths. Catherine Quinn, SHCJ, attended one of the prayer services and found the experience uplifting and beautiful. She also loved how the staff referred to Cornelia as the "First Lady." Consider starting your day thinking of a Holy Child value and giving thanks.

"The 9:45 prayer services are very popular, with attendance growing all of the time. It has become a very meaningful part of the day that allows both Sisters and staff to get centered on a 'Cornelian spirit.' It has started a new good morning for all."

– Mark Fitzgerald,
Administrator, Holy Child Center



Catherine Quinn, SHCJ, and Joanne Sullivan, SHCJ, thank Devor Sutton, Nursing Assistant at Holy Child Center, for her beautiful reflection at the "Good morning" staff prayer service.

Prayer Requests

Holy Child Sisters respond to requests for prayers from all over the world. In the American Province, the Sisters, especially those living at Holy Child Center, bring these intentions to daily Mass and prayer. If you have a special intention, please notify the Sisters at www.shcj.org/american/praywithus/prayer-requests.

Epiphany Retreat

Since 1846, when Cornelia Connelly founded the Society of the Holy Child Jesus, Holy Child Sisters have been making an annual three-day retreat in preparation for the feast of the Epiphany. We share the retreat materials on the American Province's website at www.shcj.org/american/pray-with-us/spirituality-resources/.

Advent Open House



Patricia (Pat) Tirrell, SHCJ, shows one of the Sisters' Nativity scenes to the young visitor, Vincent, at the Advent Open House.

For the past several years, Holy Child Sisters welcome friends and family to their home in Rosemont, PA, to see the Sisters' Nativity collection from around the world. It's a wonderful time to take a break from the hustle and bustle of the season and center our mind on the coming of Christ. Mark your calendar for this year's event: Sunday, December 8, at 10:00 a.m. Contact Sandy Lovascio at slovascio@shcj.org for more information.

Stations of the Cross

In 2019, the Holy Child Associates organized their first-ever Stations of the Cross program at Holy Child Chapel in Rosemont, PA. Sisters, Associates, and friends gathered in prayer and private reflection. The Associates plan to host a similar program during Lent 2020. For more information, contact associates-usa@shcj.org.



Dian Pringle, Holy Child Associate, attends the Stations of the Cross at Holy Child Center in Rosemont, PA.

Social Media

Anita Quigley, SHCJ, creates simple, year-round spiritual reflections, which are shared on the American Province's social media platforms. The Associates also offer reflection starters several times a week based on quotes by Cornelia Connelly. Be sure to follow us on social media!

CONGRATULATIONS

2019 Holy Child Awards Dinner

On Thursday, March 23, 2019, the Society of the Holy Child Jesus raised over \$116,000 at its Eleventh Annual Holy Child Awards Dinner in Villanova, PA, at Overbrook Golf Club. Nearly 250 Holy Child Sisters, Associates, alumni, friends, and supporters gathered to celebrate and honor this year's Holy Child Award recipients – Binney Wietlisbach and Meghan McCormick. The Society recognized Binney and Meghan for their zeal, compassion, reverence, and action in serving others as they “meet the wants of the age.” Binney was presented with the *Faith in Action Award* and Meghan received the *Holy Child Spirit Award*.

We thank our Awards Dinner Honorary Committee, sponsors, and donors for joining with the Holy Child Sisters on this celebratory evening and for handing on our Holy Child Spirit!

Congratulations to Binney and Meghan!

2019 Faith in Action Honoree BINNEY WIETLISBACH

Binney launched her career in finance more than 30 years ago. Since then, she has risen through the ranks of the financial services industry to become President of The Haverford Trust Company, where she has been helping clients meet their financial goals since 1992.

Binney is a strong advocate for women's financial literacy and actively supports programs dedicated to that cause. In 2011, she founded the Haverford Speaker Series for Women, which has inspired and empowered more than 3,500 women to

make informed financial decisions. In 2014, she initiated the Women in Leadership Forum at Penn State University to connect the school's undergraduate women with successful alumnae.

Binney serves on numerous boards, including the Caroline A. Buck Foundation and Mindfulness Through Movement (MTM). She also serves as an Independent Director for the PGA Section of Philadelphia and on the finance committee at The Baldwin School. A few of her previous board affiliations include: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Bar Foundation, F.O.C.U.S., and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

Binney's many achievements have been recognized with awards that include: The Main Line Chamber of Commerce Helena Devereux Women in Leadership Award; Penn State University's Outstanding Liberal Arts Alumni in Business Award; *Barron's* Top 100 Women Financial Advisors and Top 1,000 Financial Advisors in Pennsylvania; as well as *Mainline Today's* Women on the Move and *Philadelphia Business Journal's* Woman of Distinction.

Binney Wietlisbach, 2019 Faith in Action Honoree (Center), with John and Colleen Williams, Honorary Committee Members and Awards Dinner Sponsor



Madeline Sherry (right) presents Meghan McCormick, 2003 Holy Child School at Rosemont alumna, with the 2019 Holy Child Spirit Award.



2019 Holy Child Spirit Honoree MEGHAN MCCORMICK

Meghan graduated from Holy Child School at Rosemont in 2003. After completing high school at Episcopal Academy, Meghan attended Georgetown University, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Finance in 2011. Meghan then joined the Peace Corps, which took her to Kindia, Guinea, where she served as a Community Economic Development Volunteer for two years. In the Peace Corps, Meghan worked with the Guinean Association for the Development of Private Enterprise, focusing on social impact innovation and social entrepreneurship. Her passion for empowering West African entrepreneurs took root during her years in the Peace Corps.

While volunteering in Guinea, Meghan founded *Dare to Innovate*, a non-profit, youth-led movement to end unemployment through investments in entrepreneurial ecosystems that ignite social change. Today, the organization has trained more than 8,000 young entrepreneurs and distributed \$400,000 in seed capital in West Africa. In 2017, Meghan launched *OZÉ*, a mission-driven, for-profit company that was spun out of *Dare to Innovate*. *OZÉ* builds digital tools and networks that empower small business owners to make data-driven decisions and thrive, especially in emerging markets.

Meghan holds an MBA from MIT Sloan School of Management and is currently pursuing an MPA from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. After graduation, she intends to return to Ghana to expand *OZÉ* into one of Africa's leading technology companies.

Meghan is grateful to Holy Child School at Rosemont, who she credits for inspiring her commitment to social justice through their educational philosophy of *Actions Not Words*.



Handing on the Spirit

2019 Honorees with past Awards Dinner Honorees (Below left to right) Stephanie (Sam) Fleetman; Madeline Mary Sherry, Esq.; Binney Wietlisbach; Meghan McCormick; and Alexandra Hellmuth.



Remembrances



Jane Dawley, SHCJ
(Mother Mary Walter)

June 25, 1933 – August 22, 2019

After spending her first 12 years of schooling at Saint Mary School in Melrose, MA, and one year at Regis College in Weston, MA, Sister Jane responded to God's call and entered the Society in 1952. For over six decades, she dedicated her life to the meaningful work of teaching and counseling.

Sister Jane's teaching ministry began at Holy Spirit School in Sharon Hill, PA. She then moved to Pasadena, CA, to serve at Assumption School. For a number of her students there, English was a second language, and their determination to succeed left a lasting impression on her. In 1962, she returned to the East Coast to teach at West Philadelphia Catholic Girls' High School for eight years before becoming the principal of Rosemont Senior School for four years.

For the next 25 years, Sister Jane was a counselor at St. Leonard Academy in Philadelphia, PA, at Connelly School of the Holy Child in Potomac, MD, and then at Rosemont College in Rosemont, PA, where she spent 10 years. Having earned a master's degree in counseling, Sister Jane established a counseling center at the College and developed a program for older adults that enhanced the Rosemont College Educational Advancement Program (REAP).

In 1989, Sister Jane welcomed the opportunity to serve with the Sisters of Mercy at Gwynedd Mercy Academy. There her counseling skills helped to make the seniors' transition from high school to college as smooth as possible. Sister Jane felt that Cornelia Connelly and Catherine McCauley, founder of

the Sisters of Mercy, were kindred spirits whose charisms merged at Gwynedd.

To sum up her 60 years, Sister Jane shared, "I have been blessed to be a Holy Child Sister. The support I have received from my Sisters and the opportunities to develop spiritually as well as intellectually cannot be overstated."



Ann Murray, SHCJ
(Sister Ann Mary)

March 30, 1941 – July 14, 2019

Born and raised in New York City, Sister Ann was educated by the Holy Child Sisters at Saint Elizabeth School and Saint Walburga Academy. After graduating from high school in 1959, she entered the Society of the Holy Child Jesus and made her final vows in 1967.

Sister Ann served as a classroom teacher for 20 years at Saint Anastasia School in Waukegan, IL (1962-1963); Saint Ignatius School in Chicago, IL (1963-1969); Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child Jesus in Summit, NJ (1969-1971); and Saint Elizabeth School in New York City (1971-1982). Beginning in 1982, she worked at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in New York City as director of religious education. In 1984, she was missioned to a two-year assignment as the American Province's vocation director.

Beginning in 1986, Sister Ann dedicated her time and gifts to serving impoverished families in New York. She also served at Catholic Charities in New York City and Riverdale Mental Health Clinic in the Bronx.

Sister Ann earned a Bachelor of Arts in theology from Loyola University in Chicago, IL, and Master of Arts in religious studies from Mundelein College in Chicago in 1969 and 1973, respectively.

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To Our Holy Child Schools & Co-Sponsored Ministries On Your Milestone Anniversaries!

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Cristo Rey New York High School, New York, NY • *15 Years*

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CONGRATULATIONS

ACTIONS NOT WORDS!

On July 18, 2019, Margaret Doyle, SHCJ, and Mary Michaud, SHCJ, attended the Catholic Day of Action for Immigrant Children in Washington, DC. They joined 200 people from other religious communities in prayer and action to end the abuse and detention of children.



Holy Child Sisters' *Jubilee Celebration*

On Saturday, June 22, 2019, we celebrated the Jubilees of 10 Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus at Saint Thomas of Villanova Parish Church in Villanova, PA. The Sisters marked their 70, 60, and 50 years of service in the Society. These extraordinary women have dedicated their lives to the service of God and God's people. During Mass, the Jubilarians renewed their vows with family, friends, and fellow Holy Child Sisters. Immediately following the Liturgy, the Jubilee celebration continued with a reception in the parish hall.

Congratulations to Our 2019 Jubilarians!

Joan Spearing, SHCJ, shares a sweet moment with one of her guests before the Jubilee Mass.





Jeanne Adams, SHCJ, and Margaret Rogers, SHCJ, celebrate their Jubilee with guests.



Jubilarian Mary Michaud, SHCJ, gathers with friends at the Jubilee reception.



Friends and family pose with Connie Craig, SHCJ, on her 60th Jubilee.



Ann-Joyce Peters, SHCJ, sits among her guests at the Jubilee luncheon.



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Holy Child Exchange Program

FEELS LIKE HOME

This past Summer, Cornelia Connelly School in Anaheim, Calif., organized a 16-day trip to its Holy Child sister-school in Cape Coast, Ghana. Gloria Kam, Cornelia Connelly School Spanish Teacher, served as the chaperone. Three students and one parent joined her for this extraordinary educational experience and "fantastic" journey.

We thank Ms. Kam for providing an account of the trip and how our Holy Child spirit crosses continents. Enjoy!

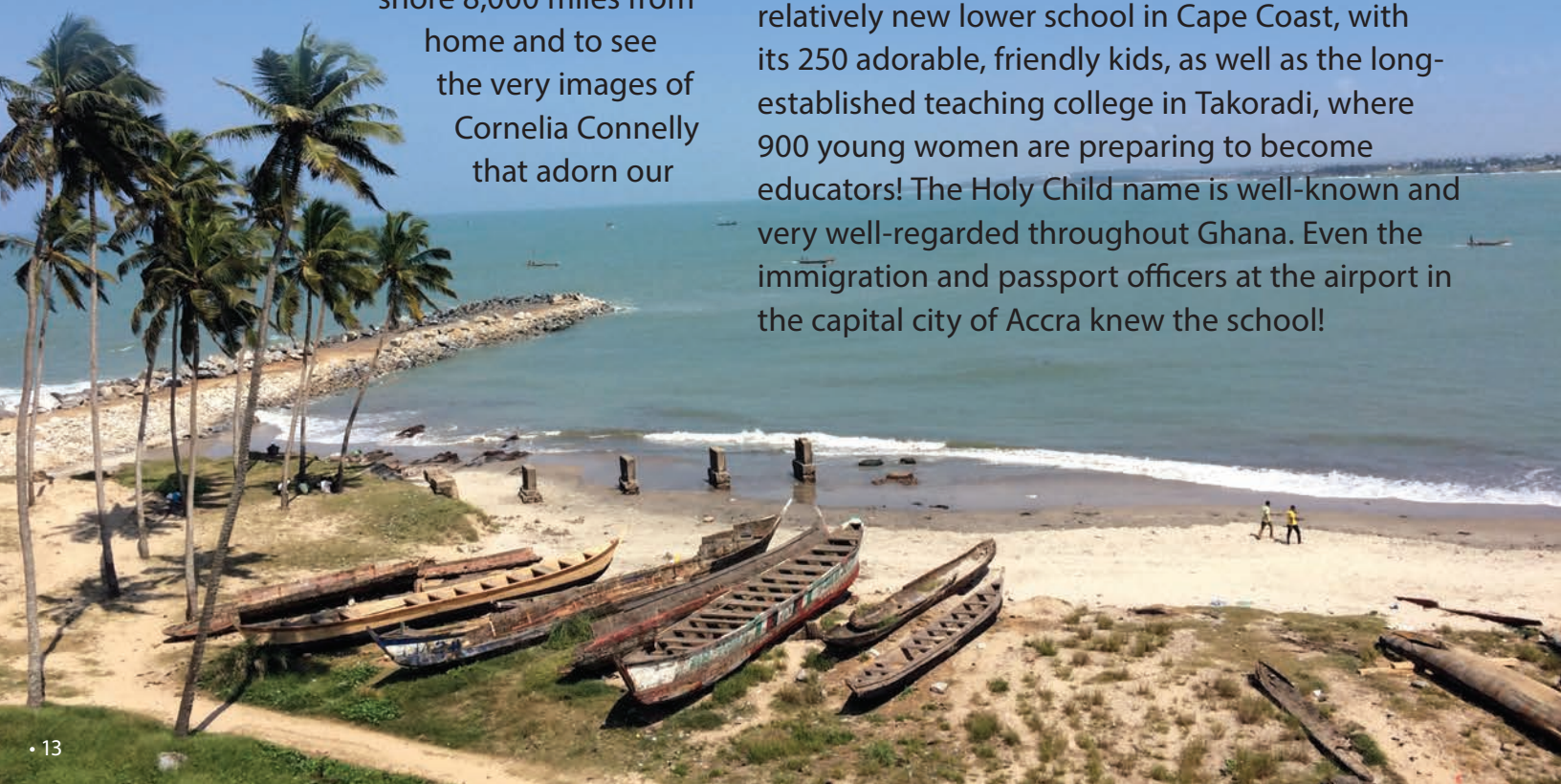
By: Gloria Kam, Cornelia Connelly School Spanish Teacher



All of us involved in Holy Child schools are heirs to the traditions, charisma, and educational philosophy of our founder, Blessed Mother Connelly. That was never more apparent to us five sojourners - one teacher, a parent, and three students from Southern California - than when we visited the Holy Child School in Cape Coast, Ghana. To travel to a distant equatorial land on a shore 8,000 miles from home and to see the very images of Cornelia Connelly that adorn our

school - our mission statement on signs, our school crest printed on vivid African fabric, quotes of Mother Connelly on statues - and to hear the same prayers, to meet warm, big-hearted Holy Child Sisters, was to know that we were indeed at home.

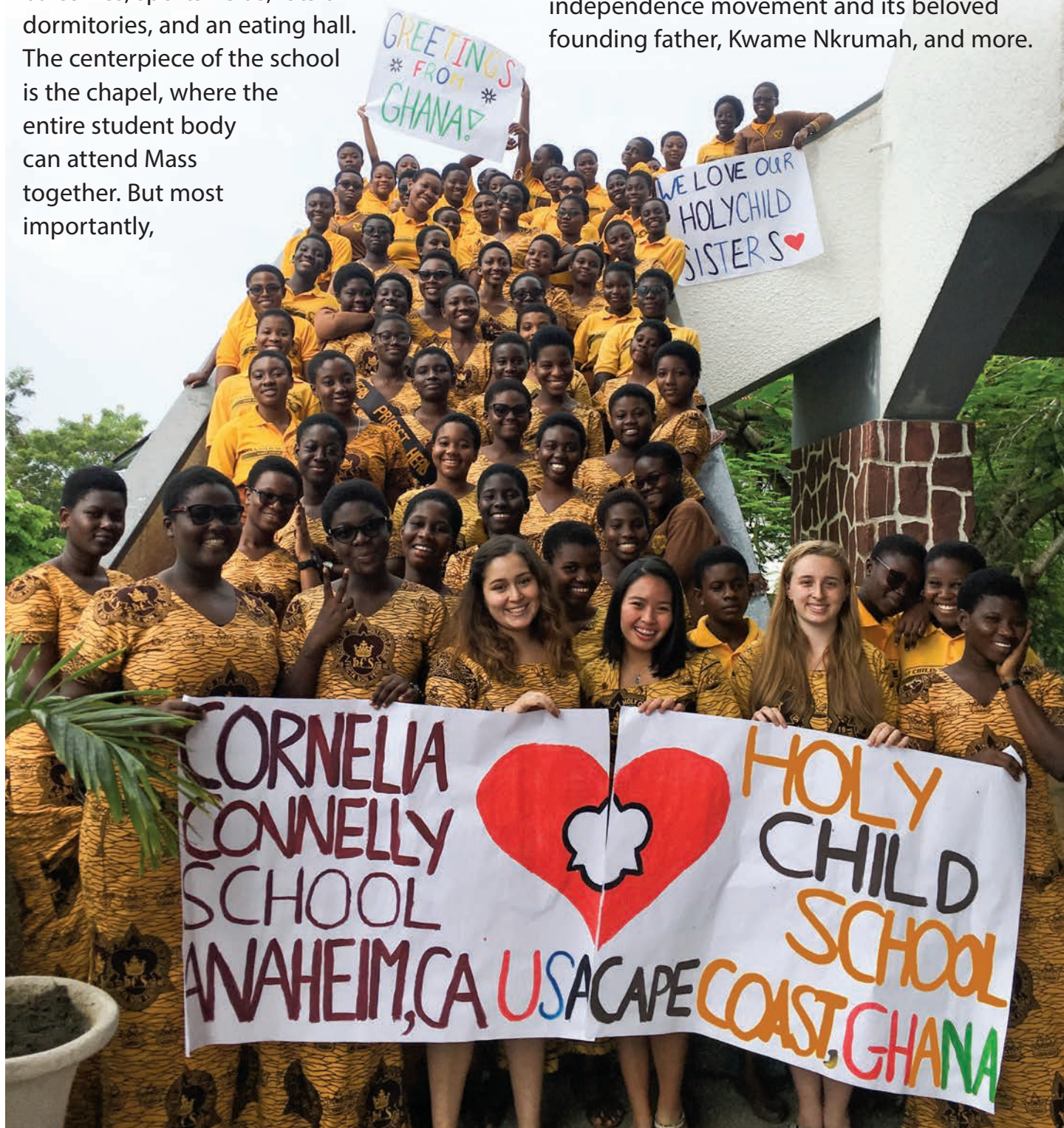
For two and a half weeks, we stayed at the Holy Child upper school, which has a student population of 900. However, we also got to see the relatively new lower school in Cape Coast, with its 250 adorable, friendly kids, as well as the long-established teaching college in Takoradi, where 900 young women are preparing to become educators! The Holy Child name is well-known and very well-regarded throughout Ghana. Even the immigration and passport officers at the airport in the capital city of Accra knew the school!



Since 1946, the Society has run the boarding school, which is tucked away on a lovely hillside with ocean views, gentle breezes, and monkeys playing in the canopy of trees that border the campus. It has everything you would expect a big boarding school to have: a four-story classroom building with airy balconies, sports fields, lots of dormitories, and an eating hall. The centerpiece of the school is the chapel, where the entire student body can attend Mass together. But most importantly,

there are lively, friendly, funny, and interesting young women studying there.

During our 16-day trip, we spent four days sightseeing. We saw traditional weavers, visited basilicas, climbed rope bridges 130 feet above the jungle floor, toured the Ashanti Palace, experienced the ghastly Elmina Slave Castle, learned about the independence movement and its beloved founding father, Kwame Nkrumah, and more.



But the really important element in travel is to get to know the people. They are what made this trip so fantastic. Sisters Jojoy, Uche, Gifty, Alberta, Martha, Louisa, and all the sisters at the Formation House welcomed us at every turn. They answered our endless questions and shared insights on the local food, culture, names, languages, animals, and so much more. And they were so good to our three students. Sr. Jojoy even made Holy Child uniforms and outing attire for our girls, who were delighted by the kindness and thoughtfulness! Our students spent the non-touring days of our trip on campus, participating in classes, eating in the dining hall, attending morning Mass, and getting to know the Holy Child students, which was their favorite activity.

Connelly students had an amazing and broadening experience. Both the Ghanaian girls and our students learned much about each other, only to find out that we are not really so “other.” But this is an exchange program, so we hope to reciprocate their hospitality and host some of the Ghanaian girls here in Anaheim one day soon!

Gloria Kam, chaperone on this exchange trip, has taught Spanish at Cornelia Connelly School in Anaheim, CA, for 12 years. She is the facilitator for the Spanish Honor Society and the Senior Grade Level Coordinator. She also took groups of girls to Spain in 2013, to Washington D.C. in 2015, and chaperoned the Camp Cornelia student counselors on their trip to New York City in 2016.

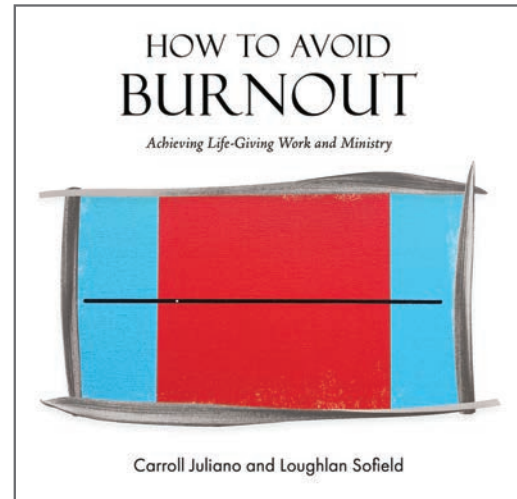
The three Connelly students who participated in the exchange program were Jessica Ortiz ('20), Anya Ibasco ('21), and Monica Hyndman ('21). Mrs. Hyndman, the mother to Monica Hyndman, also accompanied them.



American Province Leader Co-Authors Book on Avoiding Burnout

In their recently published book *How to Avoid Burnout: Achieving Life-Giving Work and Ministry*, by ACTA Publications, American Province Leader Carroll Juliano, SHCJ, and Loughlan Sofield, ST, address why so many of us lack energy, joy, zeal, and hope in our work and ministries. They explore why we often feel physically and emotionally exhausted, as well as offer guidance on how to prevent becoming overwhelmed and burned out.

To purchase *How to Avoid Burnout*, visit <http://actapublications.com/how-to-avoid-burnout>.



Carroll Juliano, SHCJ, is currently the American Province Leader of the Society of the Holy Child Jesus. She has served as a facilitator, consultant, and presenter for numerous church groups and organizations, both nationally and internationally.



Loughlan Sofield, ST, is a Missionary Servant of the Most Holy Trinity. He was Senior Editor of Human Development magazine for more than 30 years and served on the Advisory Board of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Laity, Family, Women, and Youth.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ANN M. DURST, SHCJ!

Sister Ann M. Durst, SHCJ, Esq., received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Marquette University President, Dr. Michael Lovell (right), during the University's 138th Commencement ceremony at Fiserv Forum in Milwaukee on May 19, 2019.



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Reunions

The smiles in these photos captured the joy that filled the room at the 2019 St. Leonard's Alumnae/i All Class Reunion on March 23, at Springfield Country Club, Springfield, PA. Mark your calendar for the next St. Leonard's All Class Reunion on March 28, 2020, at Springfield Country Club. For more information, please contact slovascio@shcj.org.





If you would like photos from your latest Holy Child alumnae/i get-together to appear in an upcoming Actions, please submit your group photo (1 MB or larger) to slovascio@shcj.org.



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"The act of leaving a gift speaks quietly but lastingly of the gratitude I have for the women who enriched my life and instilled a life-long love of learning. Long after I'm gone, the bequest left on paper will reflect the appreciation in my heart."
- Joanne Parrilli, St. Ignatius, IL



Save the Date

2020 Holy Child Awards Dinner
March 26, 2020, New York City



Handing on the Spirit

Reunions



Holy Child Academy, Sharon Hill, PA, Class of 1968, celebrated their 50th Reunion on September 30, 2018, at the Mendenhall Inn in Mendenhall, PA. Twenty-four members of the class attended as well as Carlotta Bartone, SHCJ, and Joan Spearing, SHCJ. It was a wonderful day to catch up with old friends.

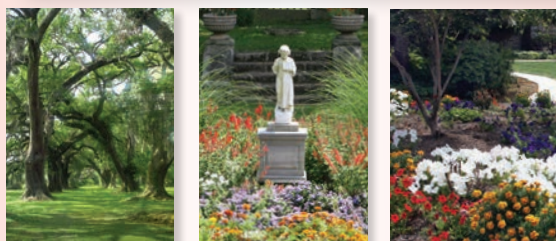


Members of the class of 1969 from School of the Holy Child, Senior School, Rosemont, PA, had lunch together on May 28, 2019, at Autograph Brasserie in Wayne, PA. From Left to right: Maureen McTamney, Anne (Rafferty) Crowley, Fran Bartlett, Barbara (Sass) Blauvelt, Janet (Hoberg) Gingold, Beth Fitzpatrick, and Hilary (Becton) Wagner.

Prayer Cards from the Holy Child Sisters

The Holy Child Sisters' prayer cards provide a meaningful way to remember and honor your friends and family in times of sorrow or happiness, including special occasions such as a birthday, anniversary, or new job. The Sisters find joy in knowing that their prayers serve as a source of love and support.

To request a supply of prayer cards, please contact the Sisters at holychildsisisters@shcj.org or 610.626.1400, or visit the Province's website at www.shcj.org/american. Any donations received through this program are directed to Holy Child ministries. *Thank you!*

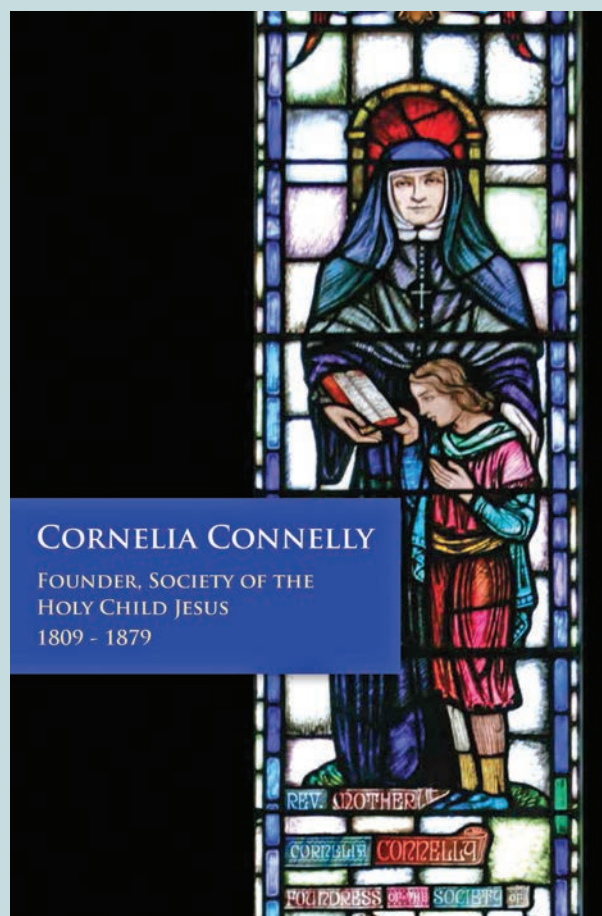


Thank you!

THE LIFE OF CORNELIA CONNELLY

By Judith "Judy" Talvacchia is now available in English and Spanish!

To receive a copy, please send an e-mail to holychildsisisters@shcj.org.



"Thank you so much for the book on Cornelia Connelly. I first read about Cornelia during my school days at Saint Leonard's. Many times my children heard her quotes, especially "be yourself but make that self just what our Lord wants it to be." My husband and I both read the book and then discussed it. Now I will pass it on to others and trust that Cornelia will also inspire them." – Nannette

"The book is beyond informative. Every page captivated me. Kudos to Judith A. Talvacchia! I shall keep my copy on the coffee table for the rest of my eighty-four years! The twelve of which have made me ever grateful for the education the Holy Child Sisters imparted to me." – Katharine

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